

Application for Judgeship

*If you have previously submitted a questionnaire or application to this or any other judicial nominating commission, please give the name of the commission and the approximate date of submission.*

This Judicial Nominating Commission pertaining to the Waukesha County Circuit Court judge vacancy, June 24, 2014, as well as the District II Court of Appeals Judicial vacancy in 2015.

*Describe any other information you feel would be helpful to your application.*

Should you decide to select me as the next Waukesha Circuit Court judge, I will be honored beyond measure. Be assured that I will be ever mindful of the fact that I represent not just myself and my family, but the Governor of the state of Wisconsin. Each time I interact with others on a personal or professional level, I will be doing so as Governor Walker's appointee. To serve in this capacity with that added measure of responsibility would be a tremendous duty.

I am a determined and dedicated person. Should you select me, I will work tirelessly to win the trust of other leaders and of the electorate so that I enter a potential campaign from a position of strength. Already, this process has begun. Waukesha County is where I first interned in the Waukesha County District Attorney's office during the summer of 1992 and returned over the Christmas break to do my first jury trial in front of Judge Dreyfus. I entered private practice in Brookfield the day after being sworn in before the Wisconsin Supreme Court. For nearly four years, I practiced in two offices in Brookfield. While practicing law in Waukesha County, I made numerous court appearances in the Waukesha County courthouse from 1993-1997. Through the years, I also made court appearances in Kenosha, Ozaukee, Washington, Fond du Lac, and Milwaukee counties.

My wife, [REDACTED], was born and raised in Brookfield, Wisconsin. Most of her family still resides to this day in Waukesha County. She attended high school at Waukesha Catholic Memorial. She worked at New Berlin Therapics and Ozaukee Therapies. Her roots in Waukesha County are deep. Two days prior to our wedding day in 1996, my wife and I purchased property in Delafield. During the building of our home, we lived in Pewaukee. For the past 22 years, we have resided in Waukesha County, raised our children in Waukesha County, attended church in Waukesha County, and been vital members of our community.

While I have served in Milwaukee and Dane Counties for much of the past 21 and a half years as a state prosecutor in the District Attorney's office and Chief Legal Counsel at DATCP, I am confident that my experiences will enable me to bring fresh approaches and new strategies back home. Perhaps the many professional relationships I garnered with our neighbors to the east and west will result in a future filled with new collaborations to the benefit of all.

You may count on incomparable levels of motivation from me. I will dedicate the resources of time, talent, and treasure necessary to achieve success. My effort will continue without interruption or cessation. Thanks to Governor Walker and you who dedicate yourselves wholeheartedly to this judicial selection process. Shaping the future of Wisconsin through a stronger judiciary is immensely important and vital to the future of our state and our country.